Our gross expenditure and council tax requirements

The council estimates that its gross expenditure for 2025/26 will be £34.854m. A total of £28.271m will be generated through income and grants, leaving a council tax requirement of £5.044m (including parish precepts). Excluding parish precepts our council tax requirement is £4.378m.



Our spending plans	2024/25 £'000	2025/26 £'000	
Policy and Finance Committee Corporate management, council tax and business rates collection, treasury management, luncheon clubs, elections, democracy, mayoralty, grants to voluntary organisations, administration and land charges	9,111	9,318	
Community Services Committee Cultural activities, recreation and leisure, refuse collection, recycling, highways, car parks and CCTV	12,273	12,840	
Economic Development Tourism promotion and economic development	404	436	
Planning and Development Committee Planning, building control, countryside management, footpaths and bridleways	3,478	3,710	
Health and Housing Committee Housing and council tax benefit, homelessness, administration of improvement grants, markets and environmental health	7,748	7,620	
Parish Precepts	628	666	
Capital Financing	-1,105	-1,158	
Contingency	400	200	
Added to Earmarked Reserves	982	818	
Business Rates 10% retained levy to Lancashire County Council	100	97	
Business Rates Retention	354	0	
Added to General fund Balances	0	307	
Gross expenditure on services	34,373	34,854	
Less income and grants on services	-21,523	-22,033	
Taken From Earmarked Reserves	-300	-293	
Use of General Fund Balances	-9	0	
Interest on Balances	-1,058	-1,001	
New Homes Bonus Grant	-665	-547	
Rural Areas Delivery Grant	-147	0	
Services Grant	-9	0	
Funding Guarantee/Funding Floor Grant	-745	-781	
Domestic Abuse Safe Accommodation Grant	0	-36	
Extended Producer Responsibility Funding	0	-561	
Compensation for Employers National Insurance Increase	0	-70	
Business Rates Retention	0	-74	
Business Rates - Renewable Energy and Section 31 Grant towards measures to aid business ratepayers	-3,189	-2,757	
Collection Fund Surplus - Business Rates	-196	-33	
Collection Fund Surplus - Council Tax	-74	-85	Amount per
Gross income on services	-27,915	-28,271	person*
Ribble Valley Borough Council Budget	6,458	6,583	£102.
Funded by:			
Settlement Funding Assessment	-1,508	-1,539	-£23.
Ribble Valley Borough Council Council Tax Requirement (INCLUDING parishes)	4,950	5,044	£78.

^{*}Based on a population of 64,469: Mid-year estimate for 2023 by the Office of National Statistics (ONS)

Why has our spending changed	£'000
Budget 2024/25	6,458
Net increase in income and grants on services	-510
Decrease in Services Grant	9
Decrease in New Homes Bonus Grant	118
Decrease in Rural Areas Delivery Grant	147
Decrease in Funding Guarantee/Funding Floor Grant	-36
New Domestic Abuse Safe Accommodation Grant	-36
New Extended Producer Responsibility Funding	-561
New Compensation for Employers National Insurance Increase	-70
Net decrease in Retained Business Rates Income, Section 31 Grant towards measures to aid business ratepayers and net Growth	4
Net movement in Overall Collection Fund Balance	152
Net Increase in Committee Gross Expenditure	910
Decrease in Contingency	-200
Net movement in Capital Financing Adjustment and Interest	4
Increase in Parish Council Precepts	38
Movement in use of general fund balances	316
Increase in Business Rates 10% retained levy to Lancashire County Council	-3
Net Movement in Use of Earmarked Reserves	-157
Budget 2024/25	6,583